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CHAPTER V

Tent Treasures

MEN'S PORTION OF TENT

(see sketches)

492. The following articles are always to be found in the guest or men's portion of the tent, *al rahi'a*.

[481] (a) *Shaddd*—riding saddle, rear pommel usually richly inlaid with finely polished lead patterns having the appearance of silver, and similar to the inlay work on incense burners. Made of tamarisk wood (*athl*).

Ja'ad—white or black sheepskin covering for riding saddle.

Ghaqid al shaddd—pommels of riding saddle.

(b) *Mirdwa*—pack saddle, also made of tamarisk wood. The thongs used to tie the cross-pieces A A to the saddle arch B B, are made from the sinews of the camel's neck: one of these exists on either side of the neck. They are as long as the neck, and as thick as a thin wooden pencil. There are several patterns of pack saddles, the commonest is shown in the sketch p. 85.

(c) *Khurj*—men's saddle-bag, it hangs over the top of the *shaddd* under the sheepskin covering or *ja'ad*.

NOTE.—Men's saddle-bags and women's dims must be, if well made, 3 *shibbrs* and 1 *chaf* in width, i.e. 3 spans plus distance between extended thumb and forefinger. The richest and most fancied in Arabia are made in Kuwait and Hasa.

4.1.5 (d) *Dalla* (*gahwah athl*)—coffee pot, sometimes *min al'ahmar*. (Drawing shown is type used in Kuwait.) With the coffee pot is always found the *lifa* or piece of coir or hemp which is stuffed into the spout as a strainer to prevent coffee grounds entering the cup.

[412] (e) *Hawan*—mortar, usually of brass, for pounding coffee berries. Sometimes a plain iron cylindrical mortar and pestle is used by poorer Arabs, or a wooden mortar and stone pestle, light and convenient for those going on journeys.

(f) *Mahmas*—coffee roaster. It is made of iron with brass bands let into the handle and having the appearance of gold. It is always fastened by a chain to the *yad al mahmas*.

Yad al Mahmas—coffee stirrer.

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Utensils for Coffee Making

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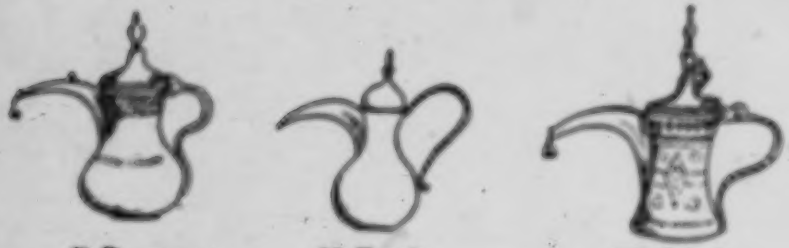
DALLA (plural DALLAL)—COFFEE POT

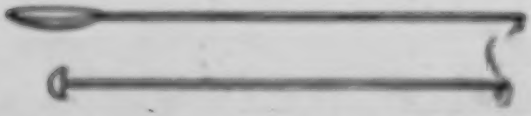


(i) Dammam (ii) Kuwait (iii) Bahrain

HÁWAN and YED AL HÁWAN—MORTAR and PESTLE 4/2

(i) Brass (ii) Iron (iii) Wood (pestle of stone)

MAHMÁSA and YED AL MAHMÁSA { Coffee Roaster / Coffee Stirrer } 4/5



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